

# CITY OF TOLEDO



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

March 30, 2012

Mr. Jon Gulch  
U.S. EPA-Region 5  
Emergency Response Branch  
9311 Groh Road  
Grosse Ile, MI 48138

**RE: Jud III Enterprises LTD-4334 West Central Avenue-Toledo Ohio**

Dear Mr. Gulch:

The City of Toledo, Division of Environmental Services requests the assistance of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to investigate the storage of multiple drums containing unknown waste stored at JUD III, LTD. located at 2234 Smead Avenue in Toledo. From an investigation conducted in December 2011, over 1000 drums of unknown waste were discovered at the facility.

According to the Toledo Municipal Code Section 1775.06(d), Environmental Services has the ability to take all immediate and necessary actions to abate and eliminate pollution when such pollution constitutes an emergency necessitating immediate action to protect the public health, welfare, safety or property. All preliminary reports indicate the property at 2234 Smead Avenue may pose a danger to the public due to potential chemical releases via the air, ground and water. Accordingly, the City does seek and authorize the USEPA to be its lead agent in the investigation and possible remediation of this property. The City of Toledo extends all authority to the USEPA to abate and eliminate this potentially dangerous condition.

If you should have questions, please contact me at 419-936-3015. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy D. Murphy", is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Timothy D. Murphy  
Commissioner

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cc: Karen Granata, Chief, Air Resources  
Charles Campbell, Chief, Water Resources  
Michelle Hughes Tucker, IWCS-Emergency Response

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